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ORDER NO. 1477

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 20268-0001

Before Commissioners: Ruth Y. Goldway, Chairman;

Nanci E. Langley, Vice Chairman;

Mark Acton;

Tony Hammond and

Robert G. Taub

Competitive Product Prices Express Mail & Priority Mail Contract 6 (MC2009-31) Negotiated Service Agreement Docket No. CP2009-42

ORDER GRANTING MOTION FOR TEMPORARY RELIEF

(Issued September 25, 2012)

The negotiated service agreement approved in this proceeding (Existing Agreement) is set to expire September 25, 2012. The Postal Service requests that the Commission grant a 45-day extension to allow the Existing Agreement to remain in effect until such time as the Postal Service and its contract customer can reach agreement on the terms of the new contract.

The Postal Service represents that the parties have been working diligently to reach a new agreement, but have not yet done so. *Id.* at 1. The Postal Service

¹ See Motion of the United States Postal Service for Temporary Relief, September 24, 2012 (Motion).

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represents that it and the contract customer expect to reach agreement on a new contract in the next two weeks. *Id.* To maintain continuity, the Postal Service requests that the terms and conditions of the Existing Agreement be extended for 45 days. *Id.* at 2.

The Motion is granted. The Existing Agreement is authorized to continue for 45 days from the current expiration date until November 9, 2012. Allowing the Existing Agreement to remain in effect temporarily is in the public interest and will not prejudice any person.

It is ordered:

- 1. The Motion of the United States Postal Service for Temporary Relief, filed September 24, 2012, is granted.
- 2. The Existing Agreement is authorized to continue for 45 days from the current expiration date, until November 9, 2012.

By the Commission.

Ruth Ann Abrams Acting Secretary